

**SEC. 575. BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

(a) FINANCIAL OPERATING PLANS AND FORECASTS.—Before the beginning of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall submit a copy of the financial operating plans and forecasts for the Office to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(b) REPORTS OF OPERATIONS.—As soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year and each quarter thereof, the Secretary shall submit a copy of the report of the results of the operations of the Office during such period to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(c) INCLUSION IN PRESIDENT'S BUDGET.—The annual plans, forecasts, and reports required under this section shall be included (1) in the Budget of the United States in the appropriate form, and (2) in the congressional justifications of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for each fiscal year in a form determined by the Secretary.

**SEC. 576. LIMITATION ON SUBSEQUENT EMPLOYMENT.**

Neither the Director nor any former officer or employee of the Office who, while employed by the Office, was compensated at a rate in excess of the lowest rate for a position classified higher than GS-15 of the General Schedule under section 5107 of title 5, United States Code, may, during the 2-year period beginning on the date of separation from employment by the Office, accept compensation from any party (other than a Federal agency) having any financial interest in any mortgage restructuring and rental assistance sufficiency plan under subtitle A or comparable matter in which the Director or such officer or employee had direct participation or supervision.

**SEC. 577. AUDITS BY GAO.**

The Comptroller General shall audit the operations of the Office in accordance with generally accepted Government auditing standards. All books, records, accounts, reports, files, and property belonging to, or used by, the Office shall be made available to the Comptroller General. Audits under this section shall be conducted annually for the first 2 fiscal years following the date of the enactment of this Act and as appropriate thereafter.

**SEC. 578. SUSPENSION OF PROGRAM BECAUSE OF FAILURE TO APPOINT DIRECTOR.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—If, upon the expiration of the 12-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the initial appointment to the office of Director has not been made, the operation of the program under subtitle A shall immediately be suspended and such provisions shall not have any force or effect during the period that ends upon the making of such appointment.

(b) INTERIM APPLICABILITY OF DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during the period referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary shall carry out sections 211 and 212 of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997. For purposes of applying such sections pursuant to the authority under this section, the term "expiring contract" shall have the meaning given in such sections, except that such term shall also include any contract for project-based assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 that expires during the period that the program is suspended under subsection (a).

**SEC. 579. TERMINATION.**

(a) REPEAL.—Subtitle A (except for section 524) and subtitle D (except for this section) are repealed effective October 1, 2001.

(b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding the repeal under subsection (a), the provisions of subtitle A (as in effect immediately before such repeal) shall apply with respect to

projects and programs for which binding commitments have been entered into under this Act before October 1, 2001.

(c) TERMINATION OF DIRECTOR AND OFFICE.—The Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring and the position of Director of such Office shall terminate upon September 30, 2001.

(d) TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY.—Effective upon the termination under subsection (c), any authority and responsibilities assigned to the Director that remain applicable after such date pursuant to subsection (b) are transferred to the Secretary.

This Act may be cited as the "Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998".

And the Senate agree to the same.

JERRY LEWIS,

TOM DELAY,

JAMES T. WALSH,

DAVE HOBSON,

JOE KNOLLENBERG,

R.P. FRELINGHUYSEN,

ROGER F. WICKER,

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ALAN B. MOLLOHAN,

MARCY KAPTUR,

CARRIE P. MEEK,

DAVID E. PRICE,

DAVE OBEY,

*Managers on the Part of the House.*

CHRISTOPHER S. BOND,

CONRAD BURNS,

TED STEVENS,

RICHARD SHELBY,

BEN NIGHTHORSE

CAMPBELL,

LARRY E. CRAIG,

THAD COCHRAN,

BARBARA A. MIKULSKI,

PATRICK J. LEAHY,

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TOM HARKIN,

BARBARA BOXER,

ROBERT C. BYRD,

*Managers on the Part of the Senate.*

When said conference report was considered.

After debate,

On motion of Mr. LEWIS of California, the previous question was ordered on the conference report to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put,

Will the House agree to said conference report?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced that pursuant to clause 7 of rule XV the yeas and nays were ordered, and the call was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the { Yeas ..... 405  
affirmative ..... { Nays ..... 21

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Barrett (NE)  
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Bartlett  
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Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
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Jefferson  
Jenkins  
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Johnson (CT)  
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Johnson, Sam  
Jones  
Kaptur  
Kasich  
Kelly  
Kennedy (MA)  
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Kind (WI)  
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LoBiondo  
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McDade  
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Mica  
Millender-McDonald  
Miller (CA)  
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Moran (KS)  
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Norwood  
Nussle  
Oberstar  
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Ortiz  
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Oxley  
Packard  
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Pascarelli  
Pastor  
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Payne  
Pease  
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Pickering  
Pickett  
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Pomboy  
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Porter  
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Price (NC)  
Pryce (OH)  
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Ramstad  
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Reyes  
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Riley  
Rivers  
Rodriguez  
Rogan  
Rogers  
Rohrabacher  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Rothman  
Roukema  
Roybal-Allard  
Ryun  
Sabo  
Salmon  
Sanchez  
Sanders  
Sandlin  
Sawyer  
Saxton  
Schaefer, Dan  
Schaffer, Bob  
Schumer  
Scott  
Sensenbrenner  
Serrano  
Sessions  
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Shays  
Sherman  
Shimkus  
Shuster  
Sisisky  
Skaggs  
Skeen  
Skelton  
Slaughter  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (OR)  
Smith (TX)  
Smith, Adam  
Smith, Linda  
Snowbarger  
Snyder  
Solomon